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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph starting on line 6 of page 57 with the following amended paragraph:

Plasmid-lipid particles were prepared by detergent dialysis as described in Example 1. The lipid composition was DOPE:DODAC:PEG-Cer-C₂₀. The particles were sized using a Nicomp Submicron Particle Sizer. Figure 15 shows the volume weighted measurement while Figure 16 shows the number weighted measurement.